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**WANTED A REMEDY**  
What Will Be Done About Free Immigration.

**PROBLEM FOR THE MASSES**  
People Who Say Japan Will Not Annex.  
Japanese Merchant Gives His Ideas on Situation — An American Who Sees the Evil.

"Unless our Government does something regarding the alleged free laborers from Japan," said a Japanese merchant yesterday, "a year from this time will find Honolulu full of Oriental beggars. The first lot to attract the attention of the Hawaiian Government came by the Toya-Mar, but there may have been thousands or perhaps hundreds who have landed here under the same circumstances, but who passed the lines without creating suspicion."

"I believe, however, the business began with the formation of the new steamship lines, and with them came new immigration companies, whose aim is to make money, irrespective of results to the country. The demand for garden men and laborers is limited in Hawaii, and with this influx of free laborers to the Islands you can imagine the result at the end of six months or a year."

"Japan has a large surplus population, and thousands of people over there who are accustomed to work for little or nothing will be glad to pay, besides their passage money, the 10 yen necessary to guarantee a landing here. And the immigration company or the steamship company is willing to advance the \$50 necessary to insure a landing, in order to make the \$5 commission. Already there is a combination between the proprietors of two or three so-called hotels, kept by Japanese, and the men interested in bringing free laborers to the country, and it is a combination to be beaten only by the Hawaiian Government and the Japanese Government working together to stop it."

"I have no idea that our Government has any idea or desire to get supremacy here; the Islands are too far away from the seat of Government, and to administer here would be an expensive luxury without bringing in any substantial returns. It is not to the interest of the Japanese merchants or representative Japanese in Hawaii to have the Islands full of their countrymen who cannot obtain work. These men must become a charge on somebody and naturally it would first be the official representative of their native country."

An American, who stands high in the opinion of the Government, and who is a staunch annexationist, and who is a staunch annexationist, in speaking of the arrival of so many free laborers from Japan, said: "The situation is deplorable, and something will have to be done. Unfortunately for the country the treaty with Japan makes it impossible for the Government to do anything without the assistance of the Japanese Government. The situation is serious for all classes, including the Japanese. I do not know, of course, where these free laborers get the \$50 they show the authorities here, but really I didn't know there was so much money among that class of Japanese. But after all, upon whom should the responsibility rest? The planters. And the future will bear out my prophecy that as fast as the plantations get out of debt the position will grow worse. The men interested in sugar are making money out of cheap labor; they tell the people that without it their interests must fail. Very well, then. Labor is pouring in upon us so fast that the price must go down with the supply, and the profits to the sugar planter will increase proportionately, and some of them will soon be able to leave the Islands and the plantations to the slave

drivers and the slaves and spend their money abroad.

"It cannot be said that all the plantations give encouragement to any other class of labor; on the contrary, in many cases where a few years ago there were positions filled by white men, today they are occupied by Asiatics. Do you blame the Japanese who is a blacksmith, sugar boiler or assistant engineer on a plantation for improving his condition, or the employer, who makes it possible for him to take the place of a white man? Four-fifths of the retail business men complain of hard times and no business. It is not because there is less money in the country or less demand for their wares, but because the business has been diverted into other channels. Some of the plantations import their goods direct and save the profits of the middle men. Take Wailuku, for instance: a few years ago there were Americans and Europeans who made money in merchandizing; today there are practically none, and the town is dead, except during court week. And some plantation managers, in their efforts to keep down expenses and run up their profits to the exclusion and detriment of the white population, are doing that which tends to drive out the middle men of the country."

"Annexation? Of course, I want it. Not because I have any fear that Japan has any design on this territory, because I do not believe she has, but because it will give us a stable Government, something the sturdy farmers of the Northwest will not be afraid of. With this class of immigrants there will be a demand for the products and commerce of the white man, idle land will be taken up, and the enormous holdings of the plantations will be divided and the white farmer can raise cane and sell it. This will come through annexation, but in no other way. Annexation? I should say so, but I don't know how we are going to get it, and I don't know what we are going to do without it."

**AHAHUI ALOHA AINA.**  
Kaunamano, Bipikane, Bush and Lilikalani, Vice-Presidents.  
The adjourned meeting of the Aha Nui Aloha Aina was held in Arion Hall yesterday morning and afternoon.  
Bill White of Lahaina was chosen honorary president of the society. Mr. White thanked the members of the society for the honor conferred upon him, and promised that he would fulfill as best he knew how his part of the work of the organization.

In the choice for Vice President J. K. Kaunamano was elected as the first, J. N. Bipikane as second, J. E. Bush third and E. K. Lilikalani fourth.  
Enoch Johnson was elected secretary and J. L. Ahalo second secretary.  
The oath of office as president of the society was administered to J. K. Kaunamano by Delegate J. Kamakele of Maui.  
After attending to other matters of business the meeting adjourned sine die.

**WALES AS A SHOEMAKER.**  
It will be news to many to learn that the Prince of Wales is a very expert shoemaker. A contributor to the November Woman at Home supplies the information, adding that this was a particular handcraft which the Prince chose to learn when a boy, the Queen and Prince Consort having made it a rule that each of the Princes should receive a thoroughly practical training in some trade. They were allowed to choose the one which they liked best. It is said that the Prince has worn shoes of his own make which were the envy of every gentleman who saw them and that he did not forget to name the maker. His own knowledge makes him an expert judge of other people's work, and he will at once detect slipshod or inferiorly made a goods, should such be sent to him.

**A SHOWER OF ANTS.**  
A remarkable phenomenon was witnessed in Jerusalem recently. A swarm of flying ants settled upon the city and filled the air from sunrise until 9 o'clock.  
Visitors to the Holy Sepulchre were obliged to use their handkerchiefs constantly in order to keep the insects out of their eyes and nostrils.  
The natives asserted that this extraordinary flight of ants was the precursor of an earthquake.  
Whether there was any real connection between the two phenomena or not, as a matter of fact two slight shocks of earthquake were felt in Jerusalem on the evening of the same day.  
Daily Advertiser, 75 cents a month, delivered by carriers.

**STAMP COLLECTOR**  
How an English Boy Collects Hawaiian Stamps.

**THE ADVERTISER IN LONDON**  
Methods in Use by People Who Don't Advertise.

**Hawaiian Stamps in Demand—Boy Offers Fair Exchange and Profits by it.**

Ever since the change of Government in Hawaii took place people all over the world have developed a sudden and unconquerable desire for Hawaiian

kets, please note) is L. V. Peiser of 15 Drayton Park, Highbury. Directly the lad saw Mr. Wood's name he Blavat-skyed himself to Honolulu, saw what a genial young man the attorney is, and then held himself back and sat down and wrote him the letter, of which the one published is a reproduction. The young man did not write to know the attorney's terms, for a will contest or a divorce suit. He just made a dead open-and-shut proposition to exchange cullings from Whittaker's and Punch for some specimens of Hawaiian architecture as shown on the postage stamps, and as a guarantee of his confidence in Mr. Wood, he sent him a paper in advance.  
It is needless to say that young Peiser got the stamps, and will probably get more from persons who read his letter in this issue. For a boy of 15 he shows a good deal of intelligence, writes a good letter and should be encouraged.

**Will Practice Law.**  
Jack Kalakiela, clerk at the police station, who has been in the employ of the Attorney General's Department

15 Drayton Park Highbury London England September, 8<sup>th</sup> 96-

Dear Sir,  
Would you mind sending me some used stamps if it would not inconvenience you. I send by same post a copy of "Anecdotes" I saw your name in "The Commercial Advertiser" for Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>. If you will send me some stamps now and again, I will send "Anecdotes" every week for nothing. If you collect stamps or know anyone who does I would not mind sendings you or them, some. Hoping to have a favourable reply.  
I am, Yours faithfully  
L. V. Peiser.  
I AM 15 YEARS OLD AND A BOY

**LETTER FROM A BRITON WHO WANTS HAWAIIAN STAMPS.**

stamps. Every business man in the city has been asked by the conventional school boy and the school boy's father to "just put by a few, you know," and if each request was granted, additional clerks would be required.  
The newspaper publisher has not been neglected, either, in these requests, but some of the men have rather unique methods of securing a stamp without having it appear that they are collectors or fiends.

John Jones, for instance, lives in a foreign country and wants a stamp or two without having to pay for them. He writes the publisher a letter, and tells him he has seen a copy of his valuable paper, and is anxious to do some advertising with him, as well as to subscribe for his paper; will he kindly furnish prices of subscription and advertising rates.

The letter is answered and a 5-cent stamp goes on the envelope, and finally reaches Mr. Jones' collection. Two or three more letters are necessary before the arrangements are made satisfactory, and then Mr. Jones is heard of no more forever by that publisher, but others receive the same kind of encouragement for business, until Jones has stamps to burn.

On August 12th an article in the Advertiser contained a mention of J. Q. Wood, the young attorney, and among the numerous readers of this paper in London, England (parties having goods to dispose of in English mar-

for several years, and who, during that time has studied law under Judge Austin Whiting, took an examination last Friday, which admitted him to practice in the lower courts. He will not take advantage of this immediately, but will remain in his present capacity for some time to come. Jack is not a man who says very much, but he "knows a thing or two," and will undoubtedly make good use of the knowledge he has gained through years of hard study.

**Lucky Young Thieves.**  
Although Fred Walker has absolute proof which would convict certain native lads of stealing some 300 pounds of copper from the derelict Sumatra some days ago, he has taken pity on them and given the parents a chance to settle for the damage done. This will amount to some \$18, and the parents concerned have signified their willingness to put up the money necessary to keep their boys out of the Reformatory School.

**In the Police Court.**  
In the police court yesterday morning Lim York and Ah Ping were each fined \$25 and costs for having che tickets in their possession.  
Kimo was given three weeks imprisonment at hard labor for battering up his wife's face while both were in an intoxicated state.

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